

# U.S. Military Service Academy Congressional Nomination Information Sheet

## **Eligibility Requirements**

Applicants must meet the following requirements as of July 1 of the year of admission to the academy:

- Between 17 and 22 years of age
- Possess U.S. citizenship
- Unmarried, not pregnant, and with no legal obligation to support children or other dependants
- Reside in the 49<sup>th</sup> Congressional District of California

#### **Selection Criteria**

Nominations from Congresswoman Davis are based on a "whole person" evaluation. Applicants are considered for a nomination at four levels.

- The FIRST consideration is academics.
   Each individual's grade point average,
   SAT/ACT scores, class ranking and
   willingness to embrace academic challenges
   will be considered.
- The SECOND consideration is leadership experience and potential command ability.
   This will be based on the resume of activities submitted in the application packet and would include involvement in sports, school, civic and personal/social activities.
- The THIRD consideration is the motivation and desire of the applicants to attend a service academy. This will be based on both the essay submitted and the interview before the Academy Nominee Selection Board.
- The FOURTH consideration is comparative in nature, appraising each applicant's attributes against all others who are applying.

## **Applications to the Academies**

Application <u>MUST</u> also be made to the Director of Admissions of the Academy or Academies of your choice, in addition to the nomination application to Congresswoman Davis.

## **Merchant Marine Academy**

For the Merchant Marine Academy, a Member of Congress may nominate as with the other academies, however, there is no dedicated position available. Each nominee selected must compete statewide for the vacancies, and the Merchant Marine Academy makes the selection.

#### U.S. Coast Guard Academies

A Congressional nomination is not required for the Coast Guard Academy, as they manage their own selection process. Any individual interested in applying must contact the Academy directly. They may apply to:

Director of Admissions U.S. Coast Guard Academy New London, CT 06320

The local information officer is CMDR. Ronald Brown. Call him for additional information at (619) 578-3274.

#### **Final Admission to Academies**

Selected nominees will be announced in January 2003. The slate of ten nominees chosen by Susan Davis will then be forwarded to the academies indicated. The selection of the appointee to each academy is ultimately decided by the academy to which you have applied.

#### **Questions?**

Todd Gloria in Congresswoman Davis' district office is available at any time to answer your questions. He may be reached by telephone at (619) 291-1430 or by email at Todd.Gloria@mail.house.gov.



# U.S. Military Service Academy Congressional Nomination Application Instructions and Procedure

## **Important Dates**

Request Nomination Application
Beginning March 2002
Nomination Application Deadline
November 1, 2002
Academy Service Board Interview
November/December, 2002
Nominations Announced
January 2003
Offers of Appointment from Academies
Beginning February 2003
Class of 2006 Enters Academies
July 2003

## **Application Materials**

- Attached "Academy Nomination Application"
- Sealed copy of high school transcripts, should have weighted GPA and class standing
- Recent, small photograph (approximately 3" x 4")
- Copy of your latest SAT or ACT scores (photocopy acceptable)
- Resume that includes extra curricular activities and any work experience
- 500 word essay (described in Application)
- Letter of Recommendation

The completed application packet MUST arrive at Congresswoman Davis's office no later than November 1, 2002. Please mail or deliver to:

Congresswoman Susan A. Davis Attention: Todd Gloria 2150 W. Washington Street, Suite 210 San Diego, CA 92110

# **Academy Nominee Selection Board**

Upon receiving the properly completed packet, potential nominees will then be evaluated by Congresswoman Davis' Academy Nominee Selection Board. This board is made up of individuals with unique knowledge of the requirements of the academies. They will look closely at all aspects of those individuals who are being considered. The "Selection Criteria" are enumerated in the "Congressional Nomination

Information Sheet." The board is scheduled to consider applicants in November or December 2003. Those who qualify for nomination will be ranked in order of merit, with the most highly qualified receiving nominations as availability at each academy allows. This slate of nominees will number ten individuals per opening available. There maybe more qualified applicants than available openings, and in such a case the first ten will be submitted, with the other applicants being placed on a stand-by list.

### **Announcement of Nominees**

The announcement of nominees should occur during the month of January 2003. The nominees will then be forwarded to the academies indicated where another evaluation will be preformed by the Academy Selection Board.

You can be nominated to multiple academies, depending on how well you have competed amongst this year's pool of candidates. It is also possible to win multiple appointments.

#### Admission to Academies

SELECTION OF THE APPOINTEE TO EACH ACADEMY IS ULTIMATLY DECIDED UPON BY THE ACADEMY TO WHICH YOU HAVE APPLIED. Nomination by Congresswoman Davis does not automatically result in selection by the Military Service Academies.

All applicants must directly contact the academies they are interested in attending to open an admissions file. If you do not apply directly to the academies, you cannot be accepted there. Academies will begin to notify applicants of their admissions status in February, and all offers of appointment are generally sent out by May. See the "Military Service Academy Contact Information" sheet for further information.



# **Military Service Academy Contact Information**

**United States Military Academy** 

Director of Admissions United States Military Academy 606 Thayer Road West Point, NY 10996-9902 (845) 938-4041 or (800) 822-2769 Website: http://www.usma.edu

**United States Air Force Academy** 

USAFA/RRS 2304 Cadet Drive, Suite 200 USAF Academy, Colorado 80840-5025 (800) 443-9266

Website: http://www.usafa.af.mil

United States Merchant Marine Academy Director of Admissions U.S. Merchant Marine Academy Kings Point, NY 11024-1699 (800) 732-6267

**United States Naval Academy** 

United States Naval Academy

Annapolis, MD 21402-5018

Website: http://www.usna.edu

(410) 293-4361 or (800) 638-9156

Candidate Guidance Office

117 Decatur Road

Website: <a href="http://www.usmma.edu">http://www.usmma.edu</a>

#### **United States Coast Guard Academy**

Director of Admissions 15 Mohegan Ave. New London, CT 06320-4195 (800) 883-USCG

Website: http://www.cga.edu

\*It is not necessary to seek a nomination to attend the Coast Guard Academy. U.S.C.G.A. accepts candidates based on their own testing criteria.



# Congresswoman Susan A. Davis 49<sup>th</sup> Congressional District

# ACADEMY NOMINATION APPLICATION

Name:			
(last)	(first)	(middle)	
Permanent Address:			
(Your lega	l residence must be within the 49	O <sup>th</sup> Congressional Distri	ct.)
Mailing Address:			
	(If different from legal re.	sidence.)	
Telephone: ( )	E-mail:		
Date of Birth: / / (MM/DD/YYYY)	Place of Birth:	Gender:	
Social Security Number:			
Parent/Guardian(s):			
High School:		Date of	Graduation:
GPA: (weighted)	Class Rank:	Class Size:	
SAT Scores: Total:	Verbal:	Math:	<b>Date:</b> / /
ACT Scores: Total:	English:	Math:	<b>Date:</b> / /
	Reading:	Science:	
Military Service (if applicable): (Include	branch of service, dates of .	service, rank attain	ed)
College/University Experience (if	applicable):		

(Include name of institution, dates of attendance, GPA)

Please attach a resume including different activities you have participated in such as: athletic activities, extra-curricular activities, leadership roles, awards and honors, community involvement and employment experience.
Please attach a letter of recommendation supporting your nomination. Letters may not come from immediate or extended members of your family. Suggested individuals include: teachers, coaches, school principals and staff, employers, clergy, counselors, community leaders, etc.
Please attach an essay of 500 words entitled, "Why I wish to attend the (name of academy) Academy." Evaluations will be based upon both writing skill and content of essay.

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Rank the following service academies you wish to be no do not have to rank all academies.	ominated to in the order of your preference. You
U.S. Air Force Academy	U.S. Merchant Marine Academy
U.S. Military Academy at West Point	U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis
Please include the following information with this form	1:
Academic TranscriptResumeRecommendation	Recent PhotoEssay
Please return completed application packet to the San to the following address:	Diego office no later than November 2, 2002. Mail
Congresswoman Susan A. Davis	
Attention: Todd Gloria	
2150 W. Washington Street, Suite 210 San Diego, CA 92110	
San Diego, CA 72110	
SIGNATURE:	<b>DATE:</b>